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The Delaware State Fire Marshal's office has determined that this evening's fire that heavily damaged a **New Castle, Delaware** home was accidental.

The blaze, reported around 6:30 pm, occurred in the unit block of Marlborough Court in the **Hampton Green Townhouses**. The Christiana Fire Company and several neighboring mutual aid fire companies responded to the fire. Firefighters encountered smoke pouring from the dwelling.

Deputy fire marshals were called to the scene to conduct the origin and cause investigation. The fire was sparked by faulty electrical wiring above a ceiling inside the townhouse of origin. Flames damaged a total of four units.

Fire damage was estimated at \$120,000. Three families (11 adults) are receiving emergency assistance from the American Red Cross. There were no reported injuries.